

# **IOWA DISTRICT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

## **COURT REPORTER PROTOCOL FOR SCHEDULING PURPOSES**

**SUPERVISORY ORDER - 06**

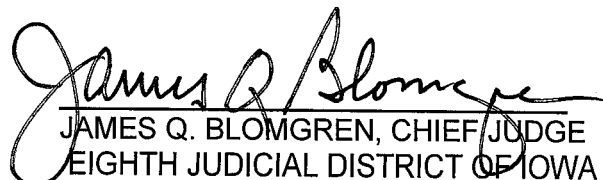
As a result of the reduction of court reporters and the continued need for reporting services, it is necessary to establish criteria and considerations for the assignment of court reporters on a daily basis. The assignment of court reporters on a daily basis shall be made by the District Court Administrator or her designee. When assignments are made, the District Court Administrator shall primarily consider consistency and continuity together with the most efficient operations of the District, in conjunction with the priority of cases as established by the Iowa Supreme Court in its order of December 1, 2009 and as amended on February 4, 2010. That order sets the priority as follows:

- Civil commitment cases under chapters 125 and 229
- Domestic abuse cases under chapter 236
- Juvenile cases under chapter 232, including Child in Need of Assistance, Termination of Parental Rights, and juvenile delinquency
- Criminal cases – especially where defendants demand speedy trial
- Cases involving child custody, physical care, visitation, and child support
- Guardianship cases
- Other cases involving a threat of serious harm to health or safety, or the restriction of an individual's liberty, including sexually-violent predator cases and postconviction relief actions

The desire of an individual court reporter to report a specific case for any reason, including the possibility of a transcript, will not be a factor in the assignment of court reporters.

Any expected mileage expense will be a minimal consideration in the determination of an appropriate assignment schedule.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

  
JAMES Q. BLOMGREN, CHIEF JUDGE  
EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF IOWA